

CEFEN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 11th November 2020 via Zoom.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

Present: Councillors C. Holmes, D. Evans, H. J. David (from agenda item 8), V. Jones, A. Beckett, J. Short and D. Gordon.

1. Apologies: Councillor K. G. Burnell.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing:

Cllrs. H. J. David, D. Dimond and D. Evans declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Community Association as members of that organisation.

Cllrs. H. J. David and A. Beckett declared an interest in all matters concerning Y Cefn Gwyrdd as members of that organisation.

Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Sports & Social Club as a member of that organisation.

Cllr. D. Dimond declared an interest in all matters concerning Cefn Cribwr Primary School as a Member of the Governing Body.

Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Gardening Club as a member of that organisation.

Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all planning matters as a member of Bridgend County Borough Council.

Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club as a member of that organisation.

BCBC Budget Consultation: The Chairman welcomed Nik Bunston & Andrea Boyce from BCBC. Nik and Andrea briefed Council regarding the ongoing budget priorities and the impact of the Covid pandemic on services. People are invited to visit the consultation webpage on the BCBC website. A good discussion ensued after which the Chairman thanked Nik and Andrea for attending the meeting.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 14th October 2020 were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Remembrance Sunday: The Chairman reported the Village Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial had gone well, even with Covid regulations in place. About twenty-five people, representing village organisations, had been present to lay wreaths. Several residents had also been present (socially distanced) at the edge of the Common. It was noted that a steady stream of people had visited the Memorial during the course of the day to make their own 'Act of Remembrance'. The Chairman asked that thanks be 'noted in the minutes' to the Clerk and Cllr. James Short for organising and leading the Act of Remembrance.

5. Footpaths:

The Clerk reported that Mr. John had completed the third and final cut of the footpath network for the year. The Clerk reported that he would submit a claim to BCBC for reimbursement as per the rights of way agreement.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence: Council noted the following:

Clerks & Councils Direct.

The Clerk.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for October '20 (S.P. 23):	£499.89
HMRC:	£125.00
Transact Pensions:	£124.97
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (October '20):	£43.33
P J Landscapes Footpath Maintenance:	£600.00
Green Brothers Landscapes: War Memorial Ground Maintenance:	£520.00

Financial Statement:

Council noted the financial statement for the period ending the 17th October 2020.

Planning:*Approvals:*

Mr. L. Evans: Arosfa Cefn Road: Raise roof of dwelling to provide first floor to create a two storey dwelling; two storey side extension; single storey rear extension with balcony over.

Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club: Bowls Pavilion, Cae Gof: Single storey south side extension to existing bowls pavilion to add 2 changing rooms and alter internal layout to allow for multi sport use.

Mr. A. Clough: 24 Greenmeadow: First floor front extension.

Mr. S. Baker: 3 Ty Fry Road: Detached two storey office building.

7. Broadband:

The Clerk reported that a response had been received from Chris Elmore M.P. Mr. Elmore had been in touch with BT Openreach. They do not have plans currently to upgrade the Kenfig Hill Exchange, although this may change in the future. Mr. Elmore suggested that Council contact the Community Fibre Partnership and offered to facilitate this if Council wished. It was unanimously agreed to take up Mr. Elmore's kind offer.

8. Members Report:

Town & Community Council Forum: Cllr. D. Evans reported that he had recently represented Council at a meeting of this body. Presentations had been received from The Public Service Board: Wellbeing of Future Generations Act Implementation Strategy and BCBC: Budget Consultation.

Corona Virus: Cllr. H. J. David gave a detailed report of the ongoing effects of the Covid 19 pandemic and the response of BCBC and statutory service providers. Residents are advised to consult the BCBC and Public Health Wales website for up-to-date information.

Former Athletic Club and Ambulance Hall site: Cllr. H. J. David reported that work was progressing to redevelop the site with flats, car parking and a community garden. The Clerk reported that he had been liaising between the developer and BCBC regarding the resurfacing works at Bedford Road. It had been agreed not to undertake resurfacing near the junction of Bedford Road and Cefn Road until the underground utilities and services which supply the development had been installed; these are anticipated to be completed by late spring 2021.

Resurfacing Bedford Road: Cllr. H. J. David reported that work to resurface Bedford Road were nearly complete.

New classrooms at Cefn Cribwr Primary School: Cllr. H. J. David reported that work to build new classrooms at the primary school was going well. It is anticipated that the new classrooms will be completed by the start of the January Term.

Cae Gof: Cllr. H. J. David reported that a hole had appeared in one of the football pitches at Cae Gof. He had reported this matter to BCBC and it will be attended in the next few days.

Cae Gof Sports Pavilion: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Cefn Cribwr Boys & Girls Club had submitted an 'expression of interest' to BCBC regarding managing the sports pavilion at Cae Gof.

93 Cefn Road: Cllr. H. J. David reported that BCBC will be undertaking essential Health and Safety work at 93 Cefn Road, the cost of which will be borne by the owner of the property.

Footpath between Heol Goedog and Green Meadow: Cllr. H. J. David reported that BCBC and Welsh Water are progressing this matter.

9. Any other business:

War Memorial: The Clerk reported that some of the pointing at the War Memorial needed to be repaired. He had been in contact with Mr. G. Whittington, the landscape architect who designed and supervised the build of the War Memorial. He will visit shortly to make an inspection and recommended what the next steps might be.

Town & Community Council Fund: The Clerk reported that this fund will open soon for applications for financial assistance. In 2016 Council had investigated the possibility of re-surfacing Mountain Lane, potentially in sections, as funding allowed. However, the creation of the Pentice Car Park, parking bays at Gwelfor, works at Bedford Close to bring it up to a maintainable highway standard and match funding for the sports pavilions at Cae Gof had taken priority during the intervening period. It was unanimously agreed that this was still a worthwhile project which would be beneficial to a large cross section of the community. The Clerk will seek quotes for this work in preparation for making an application.

Old Co-op: Cllr. D. Dimond asked if anything could be done to improve the appearance of the Old Co-op which all agreed is looking very shabby. Cllr. H.J. David suggested Council could write to him about this matter and he would investigate further.

10. Date and time of next meetings:

Wednesday 9th December 2020 at 7.00 pm via Zoom.

Wednesday 13th January 2021 at 7.00 pm via Zoom.

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, November 2020.

Signed..... date.....